

# HIGH SCHOOL CADET CORPS.

### CLASSES IN MILITARY INSTRUCTION.

In accordance with the provisions of section 10 of the High Schools Act, 1896, any High School or Collegiate Institute Board may establish classes in military instruction, and shall be entitled to an annual grant of \$50, under conditions detailed in the above section, and regulations as to examination and inspection prescribed by the Education Department.

In order that the conditions and regulations for the establishment of companies of High School Cadets might be in harmony with the military tactics sanctioned by the Militia Department, the Minister of Education submitted draft regulations to the Minister of Militia for his consideration. After consultation with the High School Inspectors and the officers of the Militia Department, the following regulations, which contain the conditions upon which the grant is to be paid, were approved:—

#### GENERAL.

- 1. High school cadet corps may be formed for instruction in military drill and training in the High Schools or Collegiate Institutes, but such corps shall on no account be employed in active service.
- 2. Application for permission to form a company shall be sent to the Minister of Education for Ontario for transmission to the Minister of Militia and Defence.
- 3. The following will be supplied to each company, free of charge, by the Department of Militia, on application through the Minister of Education:
- (a) Breech loading rifles of the Snider-Enfield or other approved pattern with bayonet and scabbard complete.
- (b) Accourrements, consisting of a waist belt with ball-bag and bayonet frog.
- 4. The Board of Trustees shall make itself responsible by a written undertaking for the value of the arms and accourrements to be entrusted to it, and shall return them in good order to the Department of Militia when required to do so.

- 5. The Board of Trustees shall provide a suitable room, fitted with lock-up arm racks, to be used as an armory, and shall satisfy the Department of Militia that the arms and accourrements will receive proper care.
- 6. The company shall consist of not fewer than twenty-five young men, over sixteen years of age, actually attending the High School or Collegiate Institute.
- 7. On or before the first day of October, the Board of Trustees shall send to the Minister of Education, for transmission to the Department of Militia, a roll, signed by the then existing members of the company. On this roll shall be designated one suitable member of the company as captain, and two other suitable members as lieutenants. The Board of Trustees shall recommend from time to time other suitable persons to fill such vacancies as may occur in the list of officers, and shall maintain a company roll of not fewer than twenty-five members.
- 8. The Board of Trustees shall see that the members of its company are provided with a uniform forage-cap, or other military head dress, as may be preferred. If the rest of the uniform is provided, it may be composed of a scarlet, blue, grey, or rifle green tunic or Norfolk jacket, with blue, black, gray or rifle-green trousers. The uniform, or any part thereof, provided, shall be subject to the approval of the Minister of Militia. Clothing of any pattern worn by cadets or soldiers in foreign countries will not be approved.
- 9. The company shall be instructed in the course contained in the sections of the authorized Infantry Drill and Rifle Exercises detailed below. This instruction shall form part of the regular course in the High School or Collegiate Institute, and suitable days and hours shall be specified therefor in the regular time table of the school. Regular attendance and proper discipline shall be enforced by the principal of the school.
- 10. The Board of Trustees shall permit the inspection and examination of the arms and accourrements, and of the cadet company, at any time, by any officer who may be detailed for that duty by the Minister of Militia.

## QUALIFICATION OF INSTRUCTORS.

11. The instructor of each cadet company shall be a regular member of the High School or Collegiate Institute staff, holding at least either a second class B military school certificate or a High School cadet instructor's certificate.

#### Course of Instruction.

12. The course of instruction to be taken up by each company of the Ontario High School Cadet Corps shall be as follows:

Infantry Drill, 1896:—

Part I. Squad Drill, sec. 1 to 45. Physical Drill, with arms, 16, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th, practices by numbers and judging the time. Extended order, sec. 47 to 57,

Part II. Company Drill, sec. 58 to 75.

Part IX. Ceremonial, sec. 181 to 183.

Rifle Exercises:-

Manual Firing and Bayonet Exercises for Canadian Militia, 1894. Manual Exercise for Short Rifle, page 23, Parts I, II, and III.

## INSPECTION AND EXAMINATION OF COMPANIES.

13. In May or June of each year, an officer, detailed for this duty by the Minister of Militia, shall examine and inspect each company and its arms and accourrements, and shall report the result to the Adjutant General of Militia. On the report of the Minister of Militia to the Minister of Education for Ontario, that such inspection and examination have been satisfactory, the Minister of Education shall pay the sum of \$50 for the current year to the Board of Trustees concerned.

## HIGH SCHOOL CADET INSTRUCTOR'S CERTIFICATES.

In order to afford High School Teachers an opportunity of qualifying themselves to act as instructors of cadet companies, a special course of instruction will be provided in Toronto next July and August, lasting about one month. Details as to dates and other arrangements will be supplied by the Education Department on or about the first of May next. Teachers attending will be drilled by instructors from No. 2 Regimental Depot. At the close of the course, teachers in attendance, and such other teachers as may present themselves, will be examined by an officer of the Department. Each successful candidate will be granted a special certificate to be called "High School Cadet Instructor's Certificate."

The course of instruction for the certificate shall be as follows:

Infantry Drill, 1896:—

Definitions as far as Tactics.

Part I. Squad drill, sec. 1 to 45. Physical drill, with arms, 16 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, practices of numbers and judging the time. Extended order, sec. 47 to 57.

Part II. Company Drill, sec. 58 to 75.

Part IX. Ceremonial, sec. 181 to 183.

Rifle Exercises :-

Manual Firing and Bayonet Exercise for the Cunadian Militia, 1894, Parts I, II and III.

Candidates at the examination will be required not only to show themselves proficient in the different exercises prescribed above, but also to be able to instruct a company or squad thereon.

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